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Applicants:

Duft et al.

Group Art Unit: 1645

Serial No.:

09/445,517

Examiner: Devi, Sarvamangala J N

Filed: December 6, 1999

Title: METHODS FOR TREATING OBESITY

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# PETITION TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT

Dear Sir:

A Notice of Abandonment was mailed by the Patent Office on January 5, 2003, for the abovecaptioned application. As it is believed that this application stands abandoned due to an error on the part of the Patent Office, Applicants hereby petition for withdrawal of the holding of abandonment.

Alternatively, Applicants petition for revival of this application under 37 C.F.R. §1.137(b), as the entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of this grantable petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.137(b) was unintentional. As this application was filed after June 8, 1995, it is believed that a terminal disclaimer is not required with this petition.

Although previously filed, for the convenience of the Patent Office Applicants hereby attach another copy the following documents filed on December 5, 2002:

- 1. Transmittal Letter;
- 2. Petition for a Three-Month Extension of Time;
- 3. Fee Transmittal for FY 2003 (PTO/SB/17);
- 4. Response to Office Action; and
- 5. Declaration under 37 C.F.R. § 1.131.

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Also attached is a copy of the Express Mail receipt indicating that these documents were mailed from the Midway Post Office in San Diego, California, on December 5, 2002. If any further information is desired, please notify Applicants' undersigned representative.

In conclusion, Applicants do not believe that any fee is due with this Petition, as the Notice of Abandonment was received on the basis of a Patent Office error. However, if any fee is required, the Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-1273 for the appropriate amount.

Respectfully Submitted on behalf of Duft et al.,

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#### METHODS FOR TREATING OBESITY

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Title: METHODS FOR TREATING OBESITY

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Respectfully Submitted,

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